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TAGS: PINR, MILI, KS, KN

SUBJECT: NORTH KOREAN MILITARY BUILD UP

1. KOREAN VENACULAR PRESS HAS REPORTED TWO NEW YORK TIMES STORIES REGARDING NORTH KOREAN MILITARY BUILD UP.

2. FIRST STORY REPORTEDLY QUOTES PENTAGON AND OTHER OFFICIALS AS SAYING "ALTHOUGH WE CAN'T PREDICT WITH CERTAINTY THAT NORTH KOREA WILL INITIATE ATTACK ON THE SOUTH VERY SOON, WE ARE KEEPING CLOSE TAB ON THE KOREAN SITUATION." STORY ALSO REPORTS THERE HAVE BEEN SERIES RECENT NORTH KOREAN MILITARY ACTIONS INCLUDING REDEPLOYMENT CLOSER TO TRUCE LINE, BUILDING AIR BASES IN FORWARD AREAS AND INJECTION MODERN RUSSIAN MADE WEAPONS. SECOND TIMES STORY REPORTED TO HAVE SAID US INTENDS MOD PROGRAM SPEED UP IN EFFORT TO COUNTERACT NORTH KOREAN FRENETIC WAR PREPARATIONS. PENTAGON AND OTHER OFFICIALS ARE REPORTED AS DESCRIBING KIM IL-SUNG AS MOST UNPREDICTABLE MAN AND RECALLING PUEBLO SEIZURE AND EC-121 SHOOT DOWN.

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3. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY BACKGROUND DEPARTMENT
CAN PROVIDE RE THESE STORIES.
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